



**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chamber in City Hall
68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero
Cathedral City, CA 92234**

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 7th, 2004
5:30 P.M.**

The Special meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor George Stettler in the Council Chambers at 68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City, California, on Tuesday December 7th, 2004 at 5:37 p.m. Mayor Stettler advise that this meeting was scheduled to certify the elections results and to install the new City Council.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members DeRosa, England, Marchand
Mayor Pro Tem Pettis, Mayor Board Chairman Stettler

Absent: None

Mayor Stettler called on Council Member Marchand to do the Invocation. Mayor Stettler then asked for the Presentation of the Colors by the Cathedral City High School ROTC and then led the audience with the Pledge of Allegiance, asking them to keep in mind those of our youth and our friends who are in harms way this evening.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Roger Culbertson – Cathedral City. Mr. Culbertson is Chairman of the Board of the Cathedral City Chamber of Commerce. On behalf of the Chamber Mr. Culbertson wanted to thank Mayor Stettler for his years of devotion to the Chamber of Commerce and to his city. Mr. Culbertson offered his thanks to the Mayor for his continued support of the Chamber, of the business community, and his support and participation in almost every event.

Hearing no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Stettler closed Public Comments.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

1. Adopted proposed Resolution reciting the fact of the General Municipal Election held on November 2nd, 2004, declaring result thereof and other such matters as provided by law.

Council Member Marchand moved adoption of the Resolution, motion seconded by Council Member England. Mayor Stettler called for a Roll Call vote. Council

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Member DeRosa – Aye, Council Member England – Aye, Council Member Marchand - Aye, Mayor Pro Tem Pettis – Aye, Mayor Stettler – Aye. Motion carried 5-0 **by Resolution No. 2004-111.**

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Pettis thanked everyone for coming and introduced the elected City Clerk Pat Hammers and the elected City Treasurer Henry Chan, who was in the audience.

Mayor Pro Tem proceeded to lead the many presentations to Mayor Stettler, recognizing his four years as the Mayor of Cathedral City. We want to recognize Mayor Stettler for his time in office, we have letters, some Proclamations, and some presenters in the audience.

Pat Cooper from State Senator Denise Moreno Ducheny's office presented a letter of congratulations from the Senator to Mayor Stettler.

Mayor Pro Tem Pettis then read a letter of congratulations from U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer to Mayor Stettler.

Michael Fife, Palm Springs Convention and Visitors Authority (CVA) is here this evening. Mayor Stettler served as Chairman of CVA. Mr. Fife will make a presentation to Mayor Stettler in January at the CVA luncheon.

John Wolmuth, Executive Director of the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) complimented the City Council for their participation in CVAG. Mayor Stettler led CVAG as Chair 2003-2004. Mr. Wolmuth presented a proclamation to Mayor Stettler.

On behalf of Congresswoman Mary Bono, Mayor Pro Tem Pettis presented Mayor Stettler with a special certificate of Congressional recognition to Mayor Stettler.

Michael Oglesby of Sunline Transit presented Mayor Stettler with a Proclamation. Mayor Stettler served on the Board of Sunline Transit.

Colonel Anthony Weddington, Inspector General at 29 Palms Marine Base. Colonel Weddington presented Mayor Stettler with a certificate from the U.S. Marine Corps, Air Combat Center at 29 Palms.

Mayor Pro Tem Pettis then read a letter on behalf of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, Richard Milanovich, Tribal Chairman.

Police Chief Stan Henry presented Mayor Stettler with a Plaque for his dedication to the Police Department.

Mayor Pro Tem Pettis presented Mayor Stettler with a framed Certificate of Recognition from Jim Battin, State Senator during Mayor Stettler's first two years as Mayor.

Council Member England, Council Member Marchand, Mayor Pro Tem Pettis and Council

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Member DeRosa each offered a few words about Mayor Stettler, all offering congratulations for the job he has done, over the past four years. Council Member Marchand noted that one of our leaders, Assemblywoman Bonnie Garcia was in the audience.

Mayor Pro Tem Pettis recognized former Council Members Sarah DiGrandi and Robert Gomer. He then asked for Louis Stettler to join the Mayor for a presentation from the City and City Council. The Mayor and his wife were presented with an engraved Crystal Vase in recognition of Mayor Stettler's service to the City.

Mayor Stettler closed the ceremonies with very positive comments. He thanked the citizens and the staff for all of their efforts. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve this community. He recognized both his wife and his two women staff members, one Carla, with whom he couldn't have made it!

INSTALLATION OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

City Clerk Hammers called Council Member England and Council Member Pettis forward to administer the Oath of Office to each of them and offer her congratulations.

City Clerk Hammers called Council Member DeRosa forward to administer the Oath of Office and offer congratulations to the new Mayor.

Mayor DeRosa offered comments to the City Council, Staff, and the residents, with regard to the job we need to do and how we will move forward. She thanked everyone for being here, and advised that this Council would work hard for everyone.

Mayor DeRosa asked that we remain standing while the colors were retired by the Cathedral City High School ROTC.

ROLL CALL OF THE NEW CITY COUNCIL

Present: Council Members England, Marchand, Pettis
Mayor DeRosa

Absent: None (one open position on Council)

Mayor Called for a motion to adjourn, offered by Council Member Marchand, who asked that we adjourn this evening in memory of the 52 gallant Americans from 29 Palms who have given their lives for our country. Meeting adjourned at 6:24 to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Pat Hammers, City Clerk